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Rainbow Badges

Wearing a rainbow badge is a way for our staff to show that **this is an open, non-judgmental and inclusive place** for children, young people and their families that identify as LGBTI+*.

*Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and the + simply means that we are inclusive of all identities, regardless of how people define themselves.

By choosing to wear this badge, you are sending a message that **"you can talk to me"**. You aren't expected to have the answers to all issues and concerns, but you are a friendly ear, and will know how to signpost to the support available.



These badges carry both a responsibility and an opportunity to **send a positive message of inclusion.**

By wearing a badge, you can play a valuable part in reducing stigma and inequality.

Wearing a badge says to LGBTI+ young people and families:

- You can talk to me freely and without worry about who you are and how you feel
- I will do my best to get support for you if you need it
- This is a place of inclusion; you are not alone

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originated at Evelina London Children's Hospital
to make a positive difference
by promoting a message of inclusion.
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